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Rajdeep Sardesai with the Principal and Quiz
Club Team

## A Tryst with Rajdeep Sardesai

Going back home had never been so exciting for the kids of MSB 11, as they looked in awe at the India Today crew. Hushed whispers and ecstatic squeals portrayed their eagerness to interact with the renowned journalist, Rajdeep Sardesai.

As he stepped aboard the bus, thundering applause greeted him warmly. MSB engines ignited, cameras started rolling and excitement levels reached sky high. When Mr. Sardesai picked up his microphone, interactive, humble and witty, he instantly struck a chord with the young audience. He proceeded to ask quiz questions to the children and everyone answered with utmost zeal and commendable accuracy. "Where did the latest ISRO PSLV Launch take place?" he asked. With a number of excited hands going up to answer him he was impressed by the awareness of the young lot. Being a quizzer himself, he also invited children to ask him questions. In the short bus journey with him through iconic Delhi landmarks, everyone was left enriched.



As Rajdeep Sardesai bid adieu, children were ecstatic about the unique experience of travelling with a celebrity. Eager to witness the New Wiz on India Today, on Sunday at 11

AM and cheer for their school, the children went home to share their exciting experience with their parents.



#### A Spark of Knowledge

Many Indian students dream of going to IIT, but few realise it. On 11th July, 2016 Paavas Bhasin (S7-D) and Ayan Marwaha (S6-F) got a flavour of this wondrous dream. Participating in the Delhi Regional Round of Shaastra Spark, a Science, Tech and Maths Quiz by IIT Madras, Modern School performed exceptionally well. Amongst nearly a hundred teams which assembled at Army Public School, Dhaula Kuan, all three teams from Modern reached the finals. Whilst Paavas and Ayan earned top honours, Aniket Joshi and Tushar Goswamy (S7-D) finished third and Shubhang Gopal and Arshdeep Singh (S6-D) finished fourth. The winners were not only awarded trophies and certificates, but also won a fully paid trip to IIT Madras and the honour of representing the North Zone in the Indiawide finals of Shaastra Spark Quiz later in the year. Overall, it was an enriching experience for the students, and another feather in the cap of the Quiz Club of Modern School.

## Bits N Bytes Shows its Mettle

Members of Bits N Bytes Club recently participated in Tech Symposia held at two schools of Delhi NCR. On 14th July, at Alphanode, held at DPS Gurgaon, the school won many honours. Quizzers Aditya Sarkar (S5) and Shashank Ramesh (S5) and 3D Modellers Samridh Gupta (S6) and Samir Amin (S5) bagged the first positions at their events while Dhruv Tuli (S6) and Arko Majumder (S6) were 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners Up at the App Development event. On 14th and 15<sup>th</sup> July, Bits N Bytes participated in inaugural Incognito. the edition Somerville School Noida's tech fest, and



won several top honours amongst the various schools that took part. While the team of Rijul Ganju (S3) and Sidharth Bahl (S4) were the winners of the Junior Quiz, Dhruv Tuli (S6) won the Movie-Making event with Arko Majumder (S6) and the Android AR Game Development competition with Samridh Gupta (S6). Aruneet Das Gupta (S7) stood first in the DJ Mixing event, Akshat Singal (S5) won the Group Discussion, and the team of Aditya Shankar Agarwal (S5) and Harsh Gupta (S5) were the winners at the Web Design event. Dhruv Tuli (S6) also secured third position in the Online Cryptic Hunt, and the team of Ayan Marwaha and Paavas Bhasin came third in the Senior Quiz.

#### **Subhash House Biennial House Function**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of July, there was much excitement among the students of Subhash House. This was because it was their Biennial house function. Both the teachers and the students had put a lot of hard work into this and everyone was hoping that the event

would be a huge success. And it was!



The Skit on Advertisements

advertisements fool us into buying products by playing on our minds. The highlight of the function was the ballet - a presentation on Kashmir. It included an informative slideshow as well as folk dances of Kashmir. The natural beauty of the State was portrayed aesthetically and the dances were well choreographed. After this, there was the house song, "We're All in This Together." The Chief Guest addressed the gathering and encouraged the House, followed by the Principal's speech complimenting the House for the excellent show.

The event opened with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest, Mr Raju Bhargava, IPS, IG Police, CRPF and the Principal. A gracefully performed Ganesh Vandana was an auspicious start to the occasion. After this, there were a variety of performances including one from the house band. These energetic performances got the crowd tapping their feet. The skit that followed was a spoof on advertisements, informing the audience how



### Sanjeev Datta's Personality Pageant



Sanjeev Datta -The Motivator

A Personality Pageant was organised in Sir Shankar Lal Hall wherein Mr Sanjeev Datta and his team interacted with the students.

He conducted a variety of mind teasing exercises and exposed the eager children to innovative ways to enrich their personality. He also focussed on developing innovation and experimentation aspect among



students. Rahul Aggarwal of S2E was selected Mr Personality Modern School and Ms Kaira of S2C was crowned as Ms Personality Modern School.





The Lenscraft Photography Club of Modern School, Barakhamba Road organized a Photography workshop on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2016 providing the budding photographers of our school with the basics of photography. We were graced by the presence of eminent photographers such as Mr. Ashok Dilwali, Mr. Aman Chotani, and Mr. Vimal S Mehta as our chief guests and mentors. The workshop was inaugurated by our esteemed Principal Dr. Vijay Datta. 80 students from all classes had participated in the workshop. The workshop began with an inauguration ceremony and was concluded by the lamp lighting ceremony and a motivational speech by our Principal. Then the students were addressed by each of our chief guests who informed the students about some of the technicalities about photography. The students were then taken out for a practical session. The event concluded with the distribution of certificates.





#### **U-17 IPSC Football Tournament**

On Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of July, The Modern School Football team was crowned champions of the U-17 IPSC tournament held at Genesis Global School, Noida. The brilliance of the team was on display as they went undefeated throughout the tournament. They defeated YPS Mohali 3-0 in the first match, followed by a 2-0 victory against APS Dakshai and a 3-0 victory against LK Singhania to top group H. It then faced off against MNSS Rai in the quarterfinals, against which the players triumphed with a

4-3 win in penalties. The Semi Finals proved to be an easy match with another 3-0 victory over the host school, Genesis Global School Noida. Although the team did not face much difficulty during the whole of the tournament, but finals was a different story. It was up against Emerald Heights International School Indore, the team that defeated us last year. Modern school was up 1-0 in the first 10 minutes. But by the end of the first half were down 2-1. Situation worsened as another goal in the second half brought the score to 3-1. But, Modernites are taught never to give up. They



The Proud Winners of the Football Tournament

brought on their skill and experience to the fore and staged an unbelievable comeback to bring the score to 3-3. A last minute header by Ananmay Jain gave a lead of 4-3. But the game still was not over. A free kick goal by the opposite team brought the score back to level at 4-4 in injury time. The 15 minutes extra time saw no change in the score, leading into the ultimate tiebreaker. The penalties saw true heroes being born with Himanshu Minocha pulling off 3 continuous saves to guide us to a 3-1 victory on penalties, bringing the title home.